

# COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS TOWN OF NEW MARLBOROUGH

#### OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Tara B. White, Chair Michele Shalaby Nathaniel H. Yohalem Board of Selectmen

## Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting Wednesday, January 21, 2015

Board Members Present: Tara B. White, Chairman

Michele Shalaby Nat Yohalem

**Others Present:** 

Joseph Kellogg, Administrative Assistant Sharon Fleck, Administrative Secretary

## The meeting of the Board of Selectmen convened at 11:08 a.m.

### Budgets - The following budgets were level funded for FY16:

| Conservation Commission Expenses | \$  | 2,000  |
|----------------------------------|-----|--------|
| Assessors General Expense        | \$  | 2,900  |
| Assessors Tax Map Update         | \$  | 2,900  |
| Assessors Consultant             | \$  | 5,000  |
| Assessors Revaluation            | \$1 | 6,000  |
| Assessors Cyclical Re-inspection | \$1 | 10,000 |
| Tax Collector Computer Service   | \$  | 6,500  |
| Tax Collector Expenses           | \$  | 5,500  |
| Tax Title (Collector)            | \$  | 3,000  |
| Town Clerk Expenses              | \$  | 2,200  |
| Town Records Preservation        | \$  | 5,000  |
| Election Expenses                | \$  | 2,225  |
| Street Listings                  | \$  | 1,000  |
| Planning Board – Clerical        | \$  | 1,300  |
| Planning Board – Expenses        | \$  | 873    |
| Planning Board – Grants          | \$  | 0      |
| Board of Appeals                 | \$  | 600    |
|                                  |     |        |

The following non-level-funded budget was approved:

Assessors Computer Contingency

\$ 4,804 Increase of \$479

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to approve the above FY16 budgets.

**Salaries** – Selectman Yohalem suggested that all stipends be level funded as follows for FY16:

| Selectmen         | \$<br>2,850 |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Moderator         | \$<br>145   |
| Library Trustees  | \$<br>320   |
| Constable         | \$<br>475   |
| Cemetery Officers | \$<br>400   |

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to approve the above FY16 stipend budgets.

Salary Increases (other than contract employees – Fire Chief, Police Chief, Highway Superintendent) – Selectman Yohalem suggested that a 2% across-the-board increase be given.

**Fire Chief Contract** - Selectman Yohalem requested Joe Kellogg meet with Fire Chief, Chuck Loring, to discuss his FY16 contract, i.e. changing nothing except the dates of the contract.

**Highway Superintendent, Fire Chief and Police Chief Salaries** – will be negotiated with Joe Kellogg.

Assistant Tax Collector, Kathy Chretien – A motion was made, seconded and so voted to continue the \$1,000 prorated salary for the position of Assistant Tax Collector over 52 weeks until June 30, 2015. Joe Kellogg to speak with Kathy Chretien about her salary for Assistant Tax Collector for FY16.

#### **Current debt obligations:**

| School (Proposed)               | \$ 950,000  |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Fire Truck                      | \$ 550,000  |
| Highway Truck                   | \$ 228,000  |
| <b>Current Outstanding Debt</b> | \$ 344,000  |
|                                 |             |
| Total                           | \$2,072,000 |

Being that there was no further business to be brought before the Board, a motion was made, seconded and so voted by all members to adjourn the meeting 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Fleck Administrative Secretary